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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MADERA

**THIRD GENERAL ORDER RE: MADERA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
MITIGATION OF THE SPREAD OF THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)**

In re:

SUSPENSION OF MADERA COUNTY
GRAND JURY PROCEEDINGS.

On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom issued a proclamation that a state of emergency exists in California as a result of the threat and continuing spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19) in this state.

On March 11, 2020, the Centers for Disease Control issued a best practice recommendation that persons at higher risk for suffering serious illness by contracting COVID-19 not participate in gatherings of more than 10 persons.

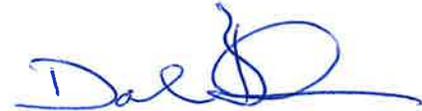
On March 19, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-33-20 ordering all residents of California to immediately heed current State public health directives to stay home, except as needed to maintain continuity of operations of essential critical infrastructure sectors and additional sectors as the State Public Health Officer may designate as critical to protect health and well-being of all Californians.

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1 In an effort to address this unprecedented challenge to the health and wellbeing of
2 members of our community and the operation of the Superior Court of California, County of
3 Madera, and to balance the county's need for a strong, independent grand jury with the health and
4 safety of members of the grand jury, witnesses, members of the community and court and grand
5 jury staff, I hereby issue the following general order:

6 The proceedings of the Madera County Grand Jury are hereby suspended until June 1,
7 2020. This order includes all grand jury matters including, but not limited to, committee
8 investigations, committee meetings and general meetings of the grand jury.

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10 Dated: March 25, 2020



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12 Presiding Judge of the Superior Court
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